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FOUR TRACKING A BIG RAILROAD.

With a view to further completing the four tracking of its line from Altoona to Pittsburgh, the Pennsylvania Railroad has asked bids for widening the stone arch bridge over Conemaugh River, just west of South Fork, on the Pittsburgh Division, to hold four tracks instead of three as at present. This is the first piece of new construction work authorized by the Pennsylvania Railroad for more than a year.

A single span stone arch bridge was built over the Conemaugh River when the original Portage Railroad was constructed. This was afterwards used by the Pennsylvania Railroad until June, 1889. When the South Fork Dam gave way, causing the Johnstown Flood, this bridge with many others, washed away. When it was rebuilt by the company it was made a three-track bridge, with two sixty-foot spans.

The addition to the South Fork bridge will increase its width from 88 to 58 feet. The work will necessitate the excavation of 1,500 cubic yards of earth for the foundations. The construction itself will require 5,500 cubic yards of stone masonry.

For more than a year the engineering department of the Pennsylvania Railroad has been preparing to widen the South Fork bridge, and to add a fourth track between South Fork and Conemaugh, a distance of some 3.7 miles, by adding sufficient width to the fills to make possible the laying of the fourth track. With the completion of the bridge, and the four-tracking of the line between South Fork and Conemaugh, the Pennsylvania will have all of its Pittsburgh Division between Altoona and Pittsburgh four tracked, with the exception of 2.10 miles, between Greensburg and Radebaugh. At these points there are two-track tunnels which must be widened before the other two tracks can be added.

Jolly Party.

A jolly party of friends gathered at the home of Oliver H. Hager on N. Laurel street, Saturday evening in honor of his 20th birthday. After playing many games the guests were invited to partake of the refreshments.

Those present were: Misses Mayme Smith, Mary Schuch, Lizzie Eyeringham, Lena Ormsby, Mamie Johnson, Laura Herman, Anna Dougherty, Lena Mills, Theo. Garrison, Olive Stewart, Stella Gehring, Lizze Barnes, Amey Lupton, Lottie Channell, Minnie Spitznagle, Lulu Polkinhorn, Hattie Polkinhorn, Mary Foster, Nora Trout, Ethel VanMeter, Emma Hager, Lydia Hager, Messrs. Wilbert Bell, Oliver Hager, Edward Strang, Merle Bailey, Earl Sutton, Leo R. Schuch, Wilbert B. VanMeter, Chester Lupton, Howard Gerhing Reuben Hand, Jimmie Canlon, Mayhew Bell, Leslie Bailey, Albert Chew, Adam Foster, Roland Frames, Samuel Horner, Mahlon Trout, Sanford Hager, Jr., James Hager, Jr., Mrs. Lydia Hager, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bevis, Mr. and Mrs. Albert VanMeter, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Hager, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Wolbert, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Hager. Mr. Hager received a signet ring as a birthday gift from his friends and mother.

Kennedy Again.

Benjamin Kennedy, of Walnut Place, was arrested and taken before Justice A. P. Johnson last night and committed for a hearing to-night.

A countryman who was evidently not very well acquainted with Kennedy, alleges that he gave him \$10 with which to get some beer. Kennedy never showed up with the beer, and the matter will be investigated to-night.

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TO USE THE WATER SURPLUS.

On Monday night Senator B. H. Minch introduced a bill in the Legislature which is of much interest to the city of Bridgeton. It is an amendment to the act which provides that money received by the water department shall be kept intact to pay off the interest and principal of water bonds. This city has already provided for the payment of the water bonds, having placed \$20,000 in the sinking fund several years ago. Since then the water department has operated its plant, made all extensions, built the concrete tank, etc., and there is a surplus of about \$30,000 and under the law as it stands this surplus cannot be used for any other purpose. The bill introduced by Senator Minch was drawn by Corporation Counsel Albert R. McAllister at the request of members of City Council, and provides that surplus money can be used for the payment of other bonded indebtedness of the city other than the water bonds.

The bill was reported from committee yesterday and passed second reading. It will be up for final passage in the Senate next Monday night. The bill follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

"1. Section three of the act to which this act is an amendment is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Be it enacted, that such portions of the moneys received from the water rents or the prices paid for the use of water, and interest on arrears of water rents, as may remain after paying all expenses and costs for purchasing water works, or for constructing and maintaining water works, and raising and distributing the water, and salaries, wages and incidental expenses and charges, shall be applied by said body, first, to the payment of the interest upon the debt created for the purchase and construction of the works, and, next, to the purchase of the bonds issued therefor, if the same can be obtained at reasonable rates; or if that cannot be effected, then to be safely invested by commissioners of the sinking fund of the said city, if any there be, and, if none, then by the said legislative body, and allow to remain as a sinking fund, to be applied to the repayment of the bonds at maturity, and when the moneys received from the water rents or prices paid for the use of water, and interest on arrears of water rents, shall be sufficient to pay all expenses of construction and maintenance of such water works and raising and distributing the water, wages and incidental expenses, and there shall have been paid into the sinking fund of the said city, a sufficient amount of money to retire all outstanding bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this act, then the Common Council of said city is hereby authorized to apply such surplus to the payment of interest on any outstanding bonds, theretofore or hereafter issued by such city and to the retiring of any bonds heretofore or hereafter issued by said city as the same may from time to time fall due.

"2. This act shall take effect immediately."

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HOW TO USE

THE TELEPHONE.

"I wonder why it is," said an observant Bridgeton woman, "that so many people, even those who use the telephone often, raise their voices when talking into the mouthpiece?"

Did I say talking into it?—well, I misspoke myself, for I have also noticed that the majority of people turn the head a little to one side when speaking over the wire. Why, I don't know, unless they find something more to interest them in other parts of the room.

There are two very good reasons why a person should not raise the voice when at the telephone. The first is that the chances for being understood by the person at the other end of the wire are greatly lessened if you raise your voice unnecessarily. If a person speaks naturally the voice will carry well, as a rule. One should talk distinctly, of course, and not too hurriedly—though this is rather strange doctrine, perhaps, for these rushing times."

"And the other reason?" asked a listener.

"Well, it is this: You will not be so apt to be overheard by the nearby. This is a point that is well worth consideration."

"Did you ever have occasion to watch a telephone operator—a person, that is, whose business is to speak through the telephone? Well, with a trained operator there is no wasted vocal effort. The speaking is well directed, and every bit counts. It has occurred to me more than once that telephone operators could teach us womankind many lessons in the art of talking. We are prone to talk too loud and too fast—and not only through the telephone!"

Ask for Fithian for Judge.

Trenton, Feb. 2.—Assemblyman Nichols, of Bridgeton, presented to Governor Fort to-day a delegation of his fellow townsmen who called to urge the appointment of Prosecutor J. Hampton Fithian to succeed Royal P. Tuller as Judge of Cumberland County.

The Governor informed the visitors that he had a high opinion of his qualifications for the bench and would like to appoint him Judge, but could not see his way clear in the face of the opposition of Senator Bloomfield H. Minch, who insisted upon the appointment of Judge Tuller.

It is reported this afternoon at the State House that Judge Tuller's name would be sent to the Senate next Monday or Tuesday.

The Bridgeton delegation included Richard M. More, of the More Glass Manufacturing Co.; Frank H. Woodruff, former president of City Council, and the following, most of whom are business men: Walter J. Cummings, Harry K. McPherson, John Nolan, William J. Miller, Leroy Souder, E. H. Sheppard, A. L. Hagerman, Chas. Fort and Benjamin Lore.

Will Not Use School Money.

Trenton, Feb. 2.—The Senate Finance Committee, which has been considering the deficit of \$750,000, which faces the State, concluded to recommend a material cutting of all appropriations. Senator Hilkey, chairman of the committee, took a strong stand against diverting to the State fund any money that under the present law goes to the public schools. Mr. Hilkey's views were concurred in by the other views were members of the committee and the school money will not be touched. The House also appointed a committee to consider the State's financial dilemma.

Little Girl Hit by a Stone.

Tuesday night some children were playing on the ice at the old brick kiln pond near South East avenue and when about leaving Herbert Ware, a small boy, threw a jagged stone at another boy. The stone missed the boy but hit Herbert's sister, Clara, in the temple, cutting a vein. The little girl fell insensible and the blood spurted out in a stream.

She soon revived and a couple of boys carried the little girl into her home nearby, where her injury was attended to.

Claimed the Goods.

The sale of the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of Louis Kanef and Benjamin Peesick, absconding debtors, advertised to take place Tuesday, did not come off.

A Philadelphia lawyer, by the name of Cohen, and a woman by the name of Nohalskei, alias Love, laid claim to all the property, and the sale is postponed for adjudication of their claims.

Oyster business is dull.

DEFICIT TO BE

WIPED AWAY.

The lengthy session of City Council Tuesday night was productive of results. The seven members transacted business in a crisp, business like way, and much of importance was done.

The Comptroller's annual report shows a deficit of something like \$35,000, which was handed over to this Council as a legacy from the previous administrations. Council decided upon an issue of bonds and will give the city the benefit of methods that will be business-like in every way.

There were several ordinances presented and acted upon and a number of resolutions were adopted all bearing upon the administration of local affairs. All of the seven members of City Council were present and answered the roll call, and immediately the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mayor Hampton made his report for the month of January. It was filed.

Commissioner of Public Safety presented his first report. He called attention to changes made in the public schedule. He suggested that another officer would greatly balance the efficiency of the department. He called attention to a slip prepared showing all calls made to the public. He suggested ordinances to control coupes and express wagons and the distribution of circulars about town. He recommended that Council purchase 500 feet of hose, and also another horse to pull the 3500 pound hook and ladder wagon. He also recommended that the street sweeper be put in shape at an expense of \$100.

Commissioner of Public Works Timothy Woodruff presented a report upon sanitary sewers, and recommended the passage of an ordinance for the government of sewers. The Commissioner also presented the annual report of the water department showing the condition of the entire system.

The Commissioner spoke highly of the concrete tank. He recommended more wells during the coming year. The finances of the department were also presented.

City Treasurer Samuel Hitchner presented his annual report which was read.

City's Comptroller's report was then taken up, read and filed.

The annual reports were then ordered printed in pamphlet form.

Overseer of the Poor Robert F. Ayars reported that he was working in conjunction with the Women's Benevolent Society. One suit for support had been instituted.

An opinion was presented by the Corporation counsel in which he stated that laborers could not be paid oftener than two weeks under the present ordinance for disbursement of money.

H. H. Hankins presented a sealed bid for \$82 for the brick hose house on Fayette street. The bid was rejected as the building, under the law must be sold at public auction.

The report of Commissioner of Highways was read. He recommended the purchase of a carload of stone to repair broken culverts. He also suggested the purchase of gravel land containing less loam and clay.

The bond of City Collector William H. McGear in the sum of \$25,000 was approved.

Police rules recommended by the Commissioner of Public Safety were then taken up. The rules are very stringent. Among other rules was one to prevent a public officer from following any other calling excepting police and constable duty. No officer can leave the city without making application and receiving permission of the Commissioner.

On motion of Mr. Whipple the rules were laid over and type written copies be forwarded Councilmen for consideration.

The Commissioner of Public Safety, was on motion of Mr. Stevenson, authorized to have the sweeper repaired at an expense not to exceed \$100.

It was also directed that bids be advertised for 500 feet of 2 1/2 inch hose. The regular appropriation of \$200 was directed to be paid to the Women's Benevolent Society.

On motion of Mr. Whipple the City Clerk was authorized to purchase certain books asked for by Overseer of the Poor.

Mr. Whipple moved that a committee be appointed to confer with the Commissioner of Public Safety in reference to the fire houses. The motion prevailed and Messrs. Smalley, Blew and Johnson were named.

Mr. Whipple called attention to section 56 of the charter, which required a Board of Education, composing two members of City Council and the City Comptroller.

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Mr. Mulford nominated Mr. Whipple and Mr. Blew nominated Mr. Mulford, and these gentlemen were elected. The ordinances providing for the election of Charles Kroh as fire warden, and the sale of certain buildings were taken up and approved upon third reading.

An ordinance providing for opening of streets for plumbing ditches, etc., was taken up and read a first and second time.

An ordinance was passed upon two readings providing for a deputy city collector at a salary of \$300 per year, and fixing the bond at \$1000.

Another ordinance was presented and twice read, providing for the issuing of bonds to the amount of \$35,000 to pay off the floating indebtedness. The bonds are to be 4 per cent. and will run thirty years, with option of redeeming them before that time.

Mrs. Elizabeth Perrine appeared before City Council and asked for the installation of a water main in the Carll building. Mrs. Perrine said she had been paying \$24 per year for the water used there. In answer to questions Mrs. Perrine said the building was tenanted by three families. There was a barber shop and four stairs. Council thought there should be no discrimination and on motion of Mr. Stevenson Council decided it was not advisable to furnish meters at this time.

Council then adjourned.

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